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BETTER PLANTS



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On Orders Placed within 10 days After this Circular is Received,

and accompanied by cash, we will allow a 10 per cent discount. In no case, however, will the discount be applicable after February 15, 1929. Ten per cent discount on early orders equals 40 per cent interest on your garden money. Ten per cent discount on an order, placed two to three months before shipping-time, is equivalent to from 40 to 60 per cent interest on the total involved.

This is a gratifying rate of interest to the buyer and an economical plan to the nurseryman, in his effort to spread and lengthen the selling season and to ascertain, ahead of time, what stocks and preparations, in general, are necessary for the spring rush.

Other Benefits of Ordering Early

The individual who orders nursery stock early, not only profits financially but is also certain to receive

- (a) **Early shipment.**
- (b) **Complete shipment**—no “sold out” items.
- (c) **First selection** from crops.
- (d) **Extra-good service** and less chance of error.

IT WILL PAY YOU TO ORDER EARLY
IT WILL PAY YOU TO ORDER NOW

—from this Circular.

French Lilacs

Choice Hybrids at \$1.80 each

If order includes four or more plants and is placed within ten days after you receive this circular, and in no case later than February 15, 1929, after which date, regular prices indicated will prevail. See Collection Offer.

Belle de Nancy. Double. Brilliant satiny rose with white center. One of the most vigorous and free-blooming, as well as one of the very best pinks. Early midseason. 2 to 3 ft., \$2 each.

Charles X. Single. Bluish violet-red. Vigorous in growth and free-blooming; panicles large and loose. Midseason. 2 to 3 ft., \$2 each.

Hippolyte Maringer. Double. Compact trusses of purplish mauve flowers, fading to blue. Early. 18 to 24 in., \$2.25 each

Lamartine. Single. Large; mauve-pink. Rapid-growing; free-blooming. Early. 2 to 3 ft., \$2.25 each.

Mirabeau. Single. One of the early species; the earliest and largest of the single pinks. Vigorous and free. 2 to 3 ft., \$2.25 each.

Mont Blanc. Single. A neat, refined, good-sized clear white. As good as Jan Von Tol but not as mammoth. Midseason. 2 to 3 ft., \$2.25 each.

President Viger. Double. Long, slender trusses of very large, open, ashy blue-lilac flowers, tinted mauve; purple buds. One of the best double blues. Midseason. 2 to 3 ft., \$2.25 each.

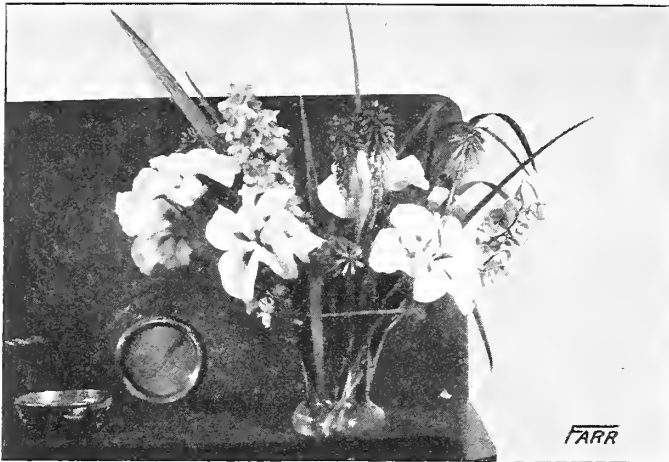
Vauban. Double. A very early, tender pink sort, fading to blue. Unique and unusual. 3 to 4 ft., \$2.25 each.

Waldeck-Rousseau. Double. Large, billowy trusses of tender pink flowers with white centers. Late. 2 to 3 ft., \$2.25 each.

SPECIAL COLLECTION of French Lilacs. Any four or more, your selection of different kinds from above list, at \$2 each, within the next 10 days; less 10 per cent if cash accompanies order. Less than four, at regular prices only. Offer expires February 15.



Few spring-flowering shrubs are more lovely than the French Hybrid Lilacs. Even a small collection becomes more valuable as the plants mature. An investment in these shrubs will return dividends for years to come.



Japanese Iris, Gold Bound, Tritoma, and Weiser Park Hybrid Delphiniums

Chrysanthemum Arcticum

Arctic Daisy

A perfect gem among fall-flowering perennials. It forms an attractive, rosette-like clump of pretty, dark green foliage hardly more than 1½ feet high. In September and October it is literally a mass of pure white daisies 2 inches or more across, which change to delicate pink. One of the rather few really dwarf, fall-flowering perennials, and makes a wonderful border plant.

3 for \$1; 5 or more at 25 cts. each; 25 or more at 20 cts. each. Ten per cent discount allowed on early orders.

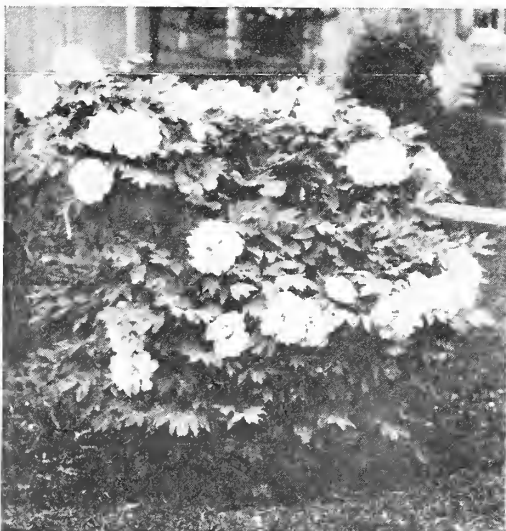
Tree Peonies

More than a century ago, Tree Peonies were sold in France for as much as a hundred louis d'or (\$460) each. In China they are known as Hwa Wang (King of Flowers). A supply of more than 15,000 plants in our new nursery permits us to offer 4-year-old plants of "Mow Tans" (Moutan) single purple, at \$6 each, and similar plants in mixed unnamed varieties (not Moutan), at the same price.

COLLECTION OF TREE PEONIES

Five mixed unnamed Tree Peonies for \$25. Single specimens at \$6. These have bloomed for several seasons in our nursery.

We allow 10 per cent discount on orders mailed before February 15, 1929.



Specimen of Tree Peony, Banksi, photographed in June, 1926

Delphiniums (*Larkspur*)

Plant in Spring for Summer Bloom

Grand and stately are the improved Hybrid Delphiniums. Their tall spires of bloom, rising to a height of 5 to 7 feet, supply our gardens with a wealth of blue that would be sadly lacking were it not for these magnificent plants. No other flower combines so many varied shades of this lovely color—the rarest in the garden. Delphiniums are particularly effective in the hardy border or in masses in front of and among shrubs.

Weiser Park Hybrids. The result of continuous improvement and inbreeding on English and Farr Gold Medal Strain. All colors, well mixed. Cannot be furnished to specific type or color.

5 or more at 40 cts. each; 25 or more at 35 cts. each.

10 per cent discount if ordered promptly.

Delphinium guarantee. Anyone who is not entirely satisfied with Farr Delphiniums when received and when they bloom can receive money back without question.



Delphinium belladonna, Phlox Miss Lingard, and Madonna Lilies make an effective home decoration.

Japanese Iris

Much has been written of the wonderful Irises that exist in the famous gardens and temples of ancient Japan, so jealously guarded that they have never been permitted to reach the outside world. Many years ago a collection of these Irises was brought to this country and it contained many beautiful varieties that have never been improved upon by later importations.

In northern latitudes, Japanese Iris should be planted in spring only. They prefer moisture at the roots, but will not withstand wet crowns and cannot be planted where they will be submerged in water. They bloom during July.

Eleanor Parry. Double. Claret-red. 75 cts. each.

Gold Bound. Best white, with gold and yellow markings. 50 cts. each. Large supply permits low price.

Minerva. Single. Pink, tinted rose. 75 cts. each.

Olympia. Single. White, veined blue. 75 cts. each.

Red Riding Hood. Amaranth, veined white. 75 cts. each.

Shadow. Single. Reddish mahogany. 75 cts. each.

T. S. Ware. Double. Reddish violet, veined white. 75 cts. ea.

COLLECTION OF JAPANESE IRIS

One each of above 7 varieties (amounting to \$5) for \$4.50. Ten per cent discount allowed on early orders.

Weiser Park Mixture. There are practically 1,000 named and numbered Japanese Irises with many synonyms and duplicates. As mixed plantings of Japanese Irises are generally most effective, we have thrown most of our large collection into mixture and offer them at 3 for \$1; 5 or more at 25 cts. each; 25 or more at 20 cts. each. We allow 10 per cent discount on orders received promptly.

Japanese Cherries

Spring Planting is Best

Travelers make it a point to visit Japan during the "Cherry Blossom Time," where the large, double blooms of the many Flowering Cherries, resembling miniature roses, completely conceal the branches, and present to the eye nothing but a mass of bloom. They make beautiful specimens on the lawn, and should be extensively planted. Hardy as far north as Canada, but safest to plant in spring only.

Yoshino. A beautiful tree of fine habit for park or avenue planting, producing an abundance of bright pink flowers. This is the variety that is so abundantly planted about the Lincoln Memorial Basin at Washington, D. C.

2 to 3-ft. specimens (grown at Weiser Park), \$3.50 each; 5 or more at \$3 each.

We allow 10 per cent discount on cash orders received promptly.

Our 1929 Catalog is free for the asking. Ready soon. Ask for copy now. No obligation.

Forsythia Spectabilis

Without new things, even the world of horticulture might become monotonous. This new variety is the "best of all Forsythias" because it is a better yellow, has more blooms, bears them from stem to branch-tip, and has improved growth, habit, and appearance. 4 to 5-ft. specimens, \$1 each; 5 at 75 cts. each; 25 at 60 cts. each. We allow 10 per cent discount on cash orders received within the next 10 days.

Hamamelis Vernalis Vernal Witch-Hazel

Blooms in January, February, and March

One of the few and best shrubs to bloom in winter, during the snow and ice of January, February, and March. The plant is of upright, compact, bushy habit, with handsome foliage which turns yellowish orange in fall. The heavily fragrant flowers consist of golden yellow petals with maroon-red center; they are about half an inch long, are borne in abundance close to branches, and are not injured by zero temperatures. 18 to 24-in. specimens, \$2 each. We allow 10 per cent discount if ordered promptly, and cash accompanies the order.



Malus floribunda. A mass of bloom will surely come from Farr's well-grown specimen trees

Hybrid Tea (Monthly) Roses

Two-year-old, field-grown, strong, bushy plants, now in 6-inch pots. Shipment is made after plants are pot-bound, during late May, and they will reach you with a 6-inch ball of earth on the roots and will be in leaf and bud. No chance of failure.

In addition, they are unconditionally **guaranteed to grow and bloom** this summer. Report to the contrary will result in prompt adjustment or replacement, without charge.

Strong 2-year Top-grade Plants, \$1 each

Shipment is made during late May, purchaser paying transportation charges. Ten per cent discount is allowed if ordered within ten days after this circular is received but in no case after February 15.

Columbia. Bright pink.
Duchess of Wellington. Gold and saffron.
Francis Scott Key. Light crimson.
Frau Karl Druschki. Pure white.
Gen. MacArthur. Crimson and scarlet.
Independence Day. Copper-pink and orange.
Jonkheer J. L. Mock. Carmine and pink.
Kaiserin Auguste Viktoria. Cream-white and lemon.
Killarney, Double White. Snowy white
Lady Hillingdon. Deep saffron-yellow.
Laurent Carle. Deep carmine-crimson.
Los Angeles. Salmon-pink and yellow.
Louise Catherine Breslau. Bright red and orange.
Mme. Butterfly. Pink and gold.
Mme. Caroline Testout. Satiny rose.
Mme. Edouard Herriot. Orange-red and salmon.
Mrs. Aaron Ward. Tawny gold and pink.
Ophelia. White, pink, and gold.
Padre. Copper-scarlet.
Radiance. Brilliant rose-pink.
Red Radiance. Cerise-red.
Souv. de Claudius Pernet. Fadeless yellow.
Souv. de Georges Pernet. Terra-cotta-pink.
Sunburst. Yellow, suffused orange.
Willowmere. Pink, yellow center.

Ten per cent discount will be allowed on orders sent promptly, if accompanied by cash. Shipment during May, when pot-bound.

Flowering Apples (Malus)

Own Your Own Apple-Blossoms

You can possess a Flowering Apple no higher than a gateway, yet bearing more blooms than a fruit Apple of three times its height and rapidity of growth. The Flowering Apple is referred to as "Queen of the Garden" by the Arnold Arboretum, and should be first on the list of flowering trees. It is of year-round utility. First, the gorgeous masses of blooms; then the shiny, glossy, clean bank of foliage followed by clusters of colorful and ornamental fruit. Flowering Apples or Crabs exceed the Japanese cherry in beauty of bloom and fruit, fragrance, hardiness, adaptability, and at a lower cost.

Arnoldiana. Single; early. Pink blooms; yellow fruit. 5 to 6-ft. specimens, \$3 each.

Atropurpurea. Purple foliage, sap, bark, flowers, and fruit. 4 to 5-ft. specimens, \$3 each.

Atrosanguinea (Ming Shing) Best of all Flowering Apples. Carmine flowers, fading to delicate pink, and lasting two weeks. 5 to 6-ft. specimens, \$3 each.

Floribunda. Single. Bright pink buds open to pure white blooms. Yellowish green fruits. Spreading. 5 to 6-ft. specimens, \$3 each.

Sargenti. Dwarf, spreading. Cherry-like clusters of bright red apples. 4 to 5-ft. specimens, \$3.50 each.

COLLECTION OF FLOWERING APPLES: One each of above 5 varieties (amounting to \$15.50) for \$13.25.

Ten per cent discount allowed if ordered within the next ten days.

Hemerocallis Citrina Hybrids

Hybrid Day Lily. A late-blooming improvement on the handsome Chinese species. Beautiful light lemon-colored flowers, borne on very tall, slender stems, 4½ to 5 feet high. Superior to older varieties as to color, height, hardiness, and free-blooming tendencies. Excellent for naturalizing in colonies; let them take care of themselves. Plant enough to provide fresh flowers daily.

3 or more at 35 cts. each; 5 or more at 25 cts. each;
25 or more at 20 cts. each.

We allow 10 per cent discount on cash orders mailed promptly.

Sign and mail the enclosed Card (no postage required) if further copies of our Catalog and other literature are desired.



It is just as embarrassing to have a name spelled incorrectly on our mailing-list as it is to meet someone whose name has been forgotten. The enclosed card is an opportunity to make any desired changes in name or address as well as a request for our Catalog. Will you please fill out and mail it accordingly. Printing preferred to handwriting. Thank you.

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Hardy Lilies

Candidum (Madonna Lily). Fragrant, pure white, trumpet-shaped flowers, $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 inches long, are borne horizontally, six to twenty-five in a head, on tall, erect, leafy stems 3 to 4 feet high, during late June and July. Their beauty is greatly enhanced when grown with delphiniums, or in small clumps in the perennial border, or in front of shrubbery, but not in large masses. One of our very best cut-flowers. Plant in a well-drained soil. Manure improves the bloom, but must not come in contact with the bulbs. Sand, peat, or leaf-mold will help lighten the soil. Keep the ground cool and moist with a cover of peat or leaf-mold. The largest bulbs available are grown in northern France and are what we import; cheaper bulbs, grown in southern France, will not endure outside planting. Mammoth bulbs, 50 cts. each; 5 or more at 40 cts. each; 25 or more at 35 cts. each.

Regale (*L. myriophyllum*). A magnificent Lily from western China, with very large, trumpet-shaped flower of waxy white, shaded pink, tinged with canary-yellow at the base of the petals.

It is perfectly hardy, thriving almost anywhere, but is a lover of loam and sunshine. One of the easiest and most satisfactory Lilies to grow. Height 4 to 5 feet. Blooming-size bulbs, 75 cts. each; 5 or more at 60 cts. each; 25 at 50 cts. each.

We allow 10 per cent discount on Lily orders placed within ten days after this circular is received, if accompanied by cash.

Philadelphus Virginal

No one disputes the statement that Virginal is the best of all the Mock-oranges, with its display of immense, semi-double flowers in spring and a sprinkling of bloom until frosts. We have a new crop of larger plants at lowest prices.

3 to 4-ft. specimens, \$1.25 each; 5 or more at \$1 each; 25 or more at 90 cts. each.

2 to 3-ft. specimens, \$1 each; 5 or more at 85 cts. each; 25 or more at 75 cts. each.

We allow 10 per cent discount on early orders, as specified elsewhere

Aquilegia

Hybrid Long-spurred Columbines

A development of the Mrs. Scott Elliott's Strain, grown from selected seeds, and producing giant, long-spurred blooms in pastel shades from June to September. Foliage dark, fresh, and attractive throughout the season. Thoroughly hardy and adaptable to almost any soil and location. Plant with hemerocallis, Siberian iris, delphiniums, and in the border generally. If planted this spring, bloom is guaranteed this summer.

2-year, field-grown plants, in liberal assortment and mixture of colors, 5 or more at 25 cts. each; 25 or more at 22 cts. each.

We allow 10 per cent discount if ordered within the next 10 days.

1929 will be another year of “New Crops” and “New Prices” at Weiser Park. Be sure your name is on our mailing-list.

Torch Lily; *Pfitzeriana*

Pfitzeriana. An old favorite, blooming from August to October, and sending up 3 to 4-foot spikes surmounted by orange-scarlet flowers which are very striking and effective. The plants are not entirely hardy without protection, and the most satisfactory way of wintering is to bury the roots in sand in the cellar each fall. Will do well in any good garden soil. Plant in spring only. 45 cts. each; 5 or more at 35 cts. each; 25 or more at 25 cts. each. We allow 10 per cent discount if ordered within 10 days, and cash accompanies order.

Viburnum Carlesii

Oriental Fragrance in the Hardy Garden

A rare and beautiful species from China, forming a compact bush of medium size. The oval leaves are similar in texture to *V. lantana*, and it has brown stems and branches. Its terminal flower-buds are formed in autumn, developing in spring into large corymbs of flowers resembling a *bouvardia* in size and form and the trailing *arbutus* in color—a rose-white. The flowers exhale a delicious Oriental perfume more powerful than the jasmine, and, when forced in the greenhouse, the odor permeates the atmosphere. Entirely hardy, this *Viburnum* is one of the most valuable shrubs introduced in recent years. Safely moved in spring only.

Bushy, specimen plants, 9-year-old, 18 to 24 in., \$5 each; 24 to 30 in., \$7.50 each.

These specimens are not to be confused with crops which have been forced and pushed to make the height but which are lacking in branches and stockiness.

Spring planting only. Express shipment only. We allow 10 per cent discount on cash orders received within 10 days.

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